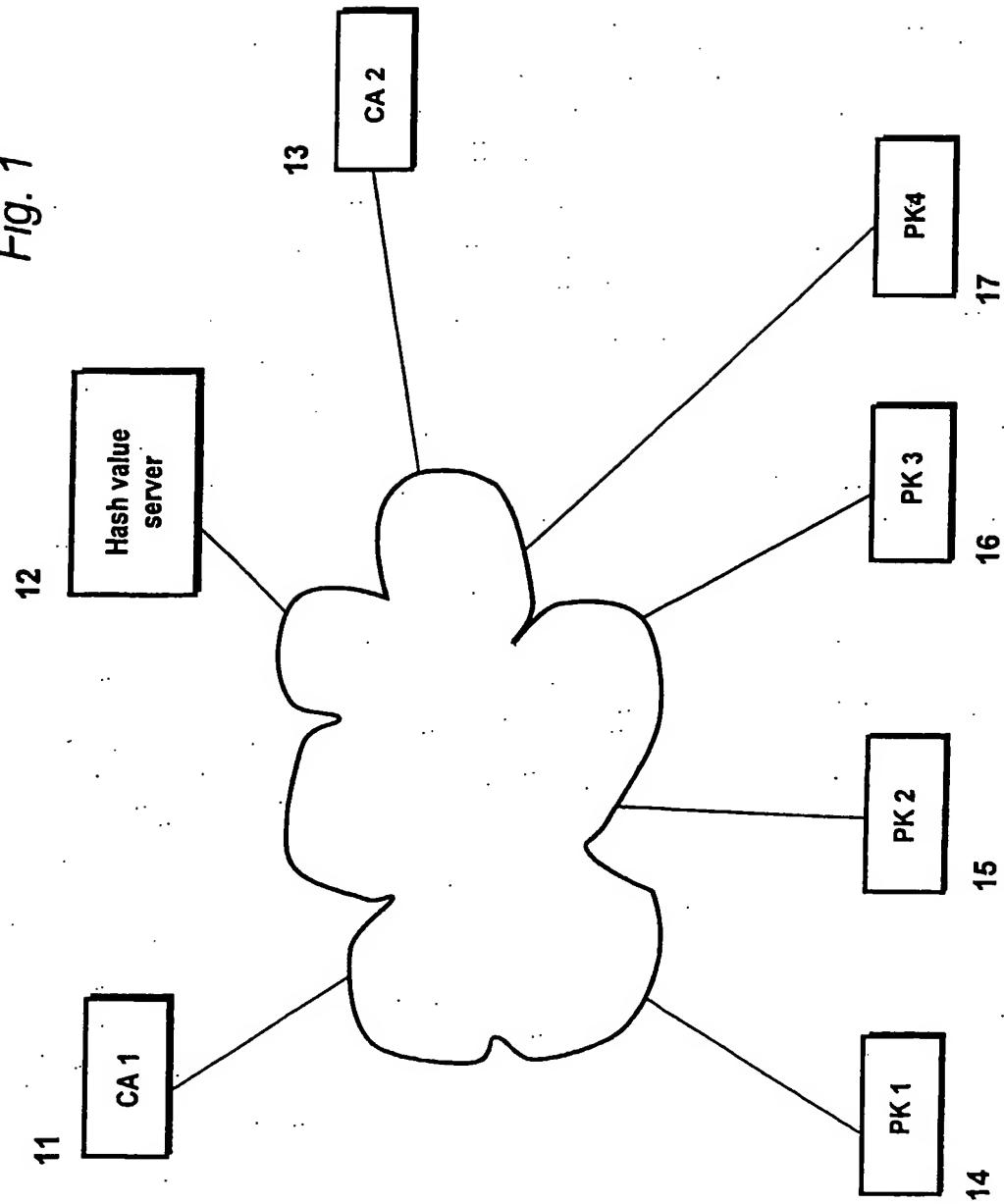


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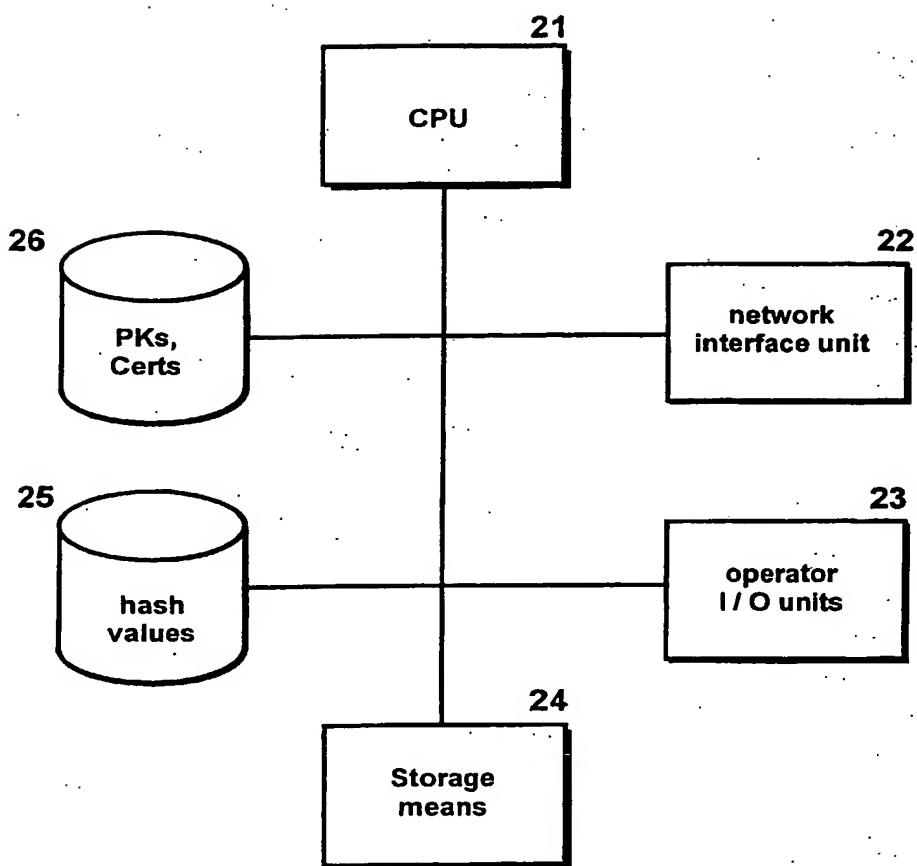


Fig. 2

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email address	hash value
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Fig. 3

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user ID	public key	certificate
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2	PK 2	CA 2_cert (PK 2)
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Fig. 4

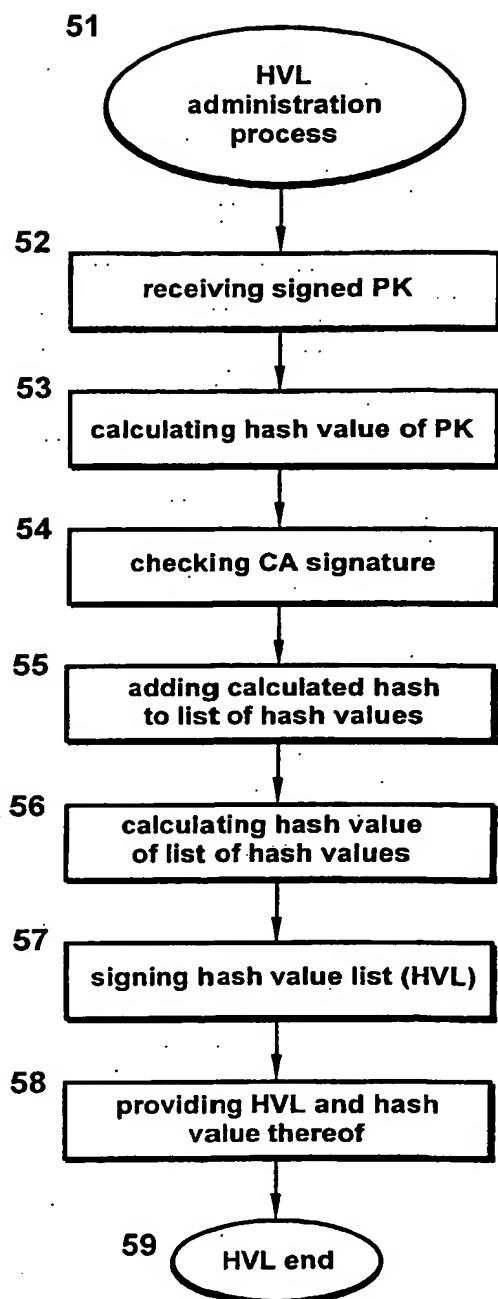


Fig. 5

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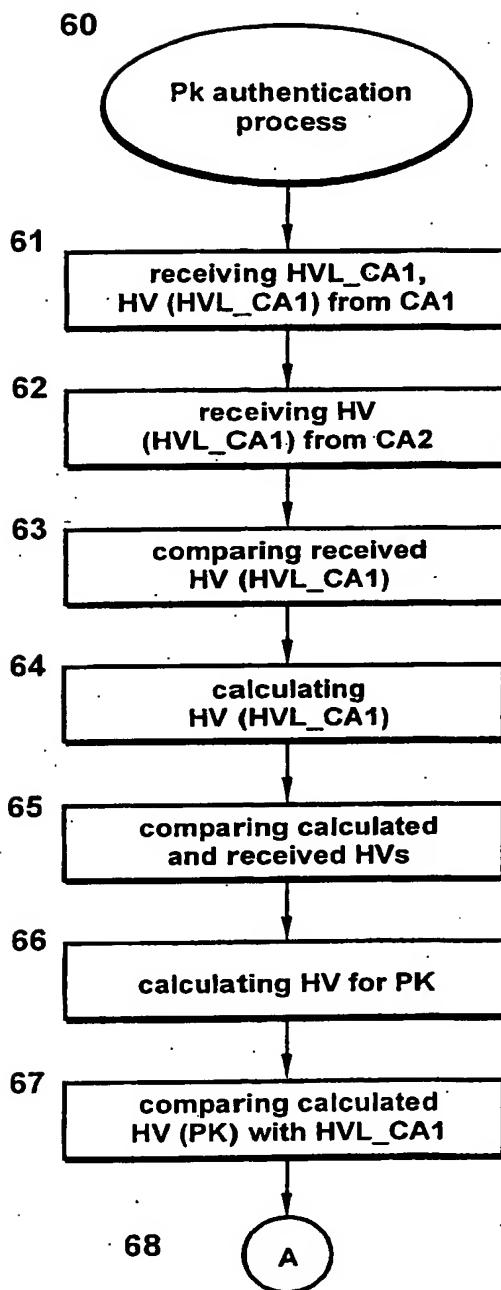


Fig. 6

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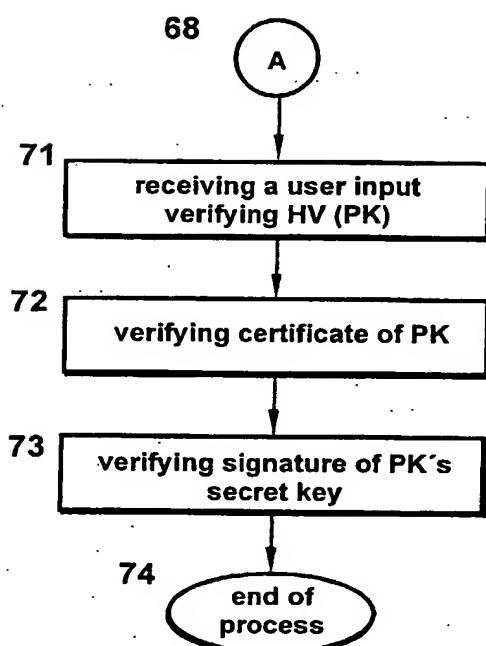


Fig. 7

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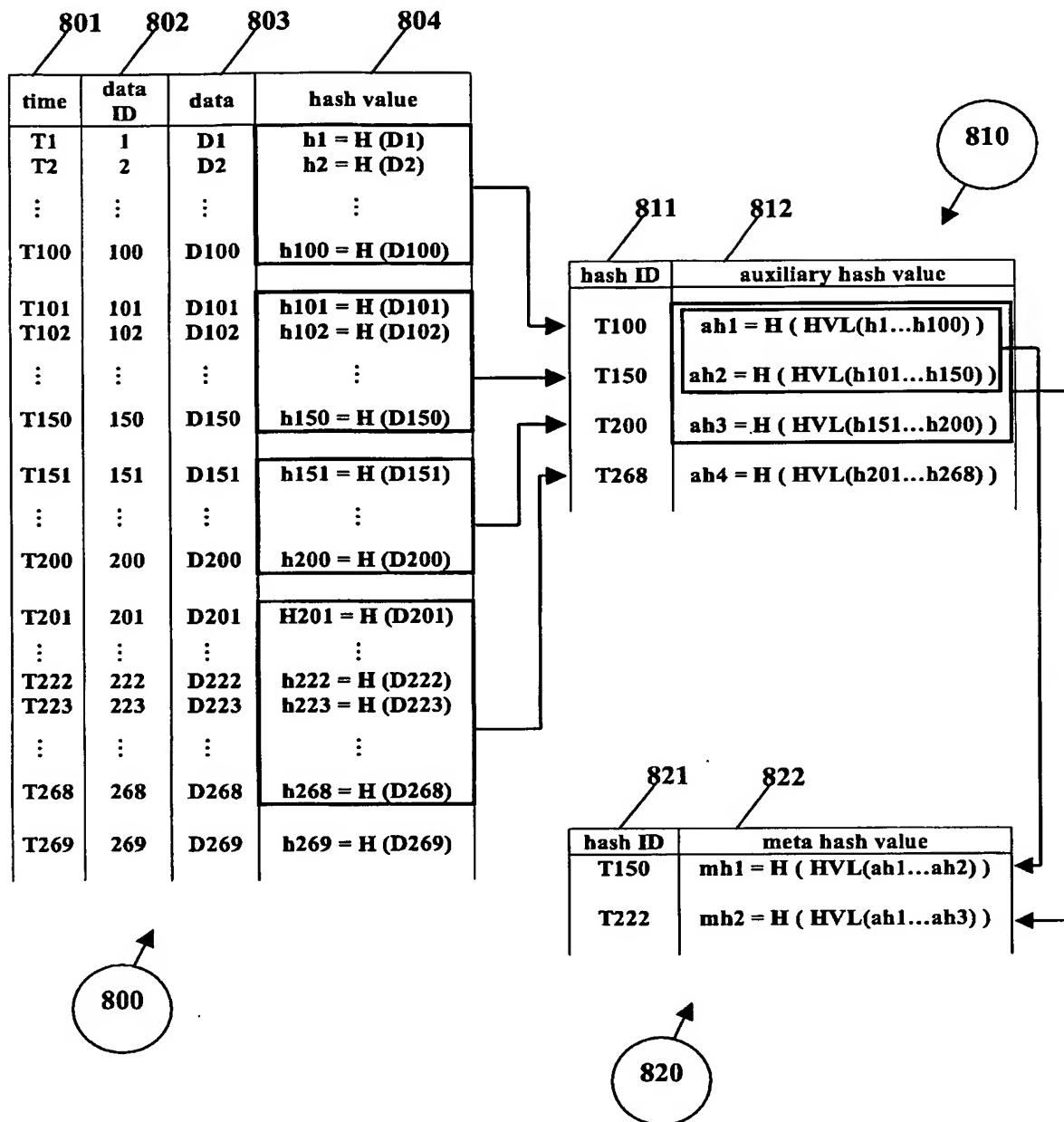


Fig. 8

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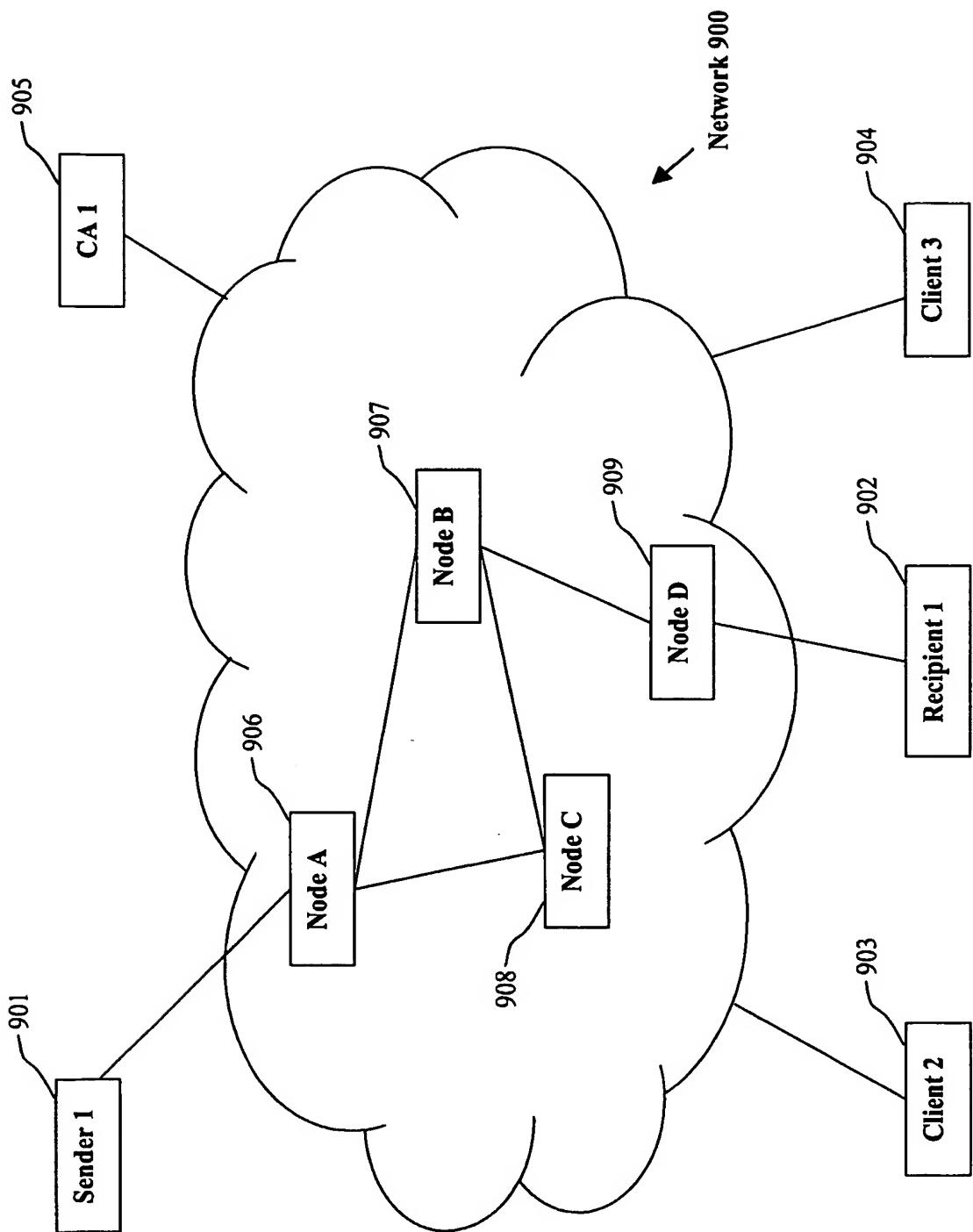


Fig. 9

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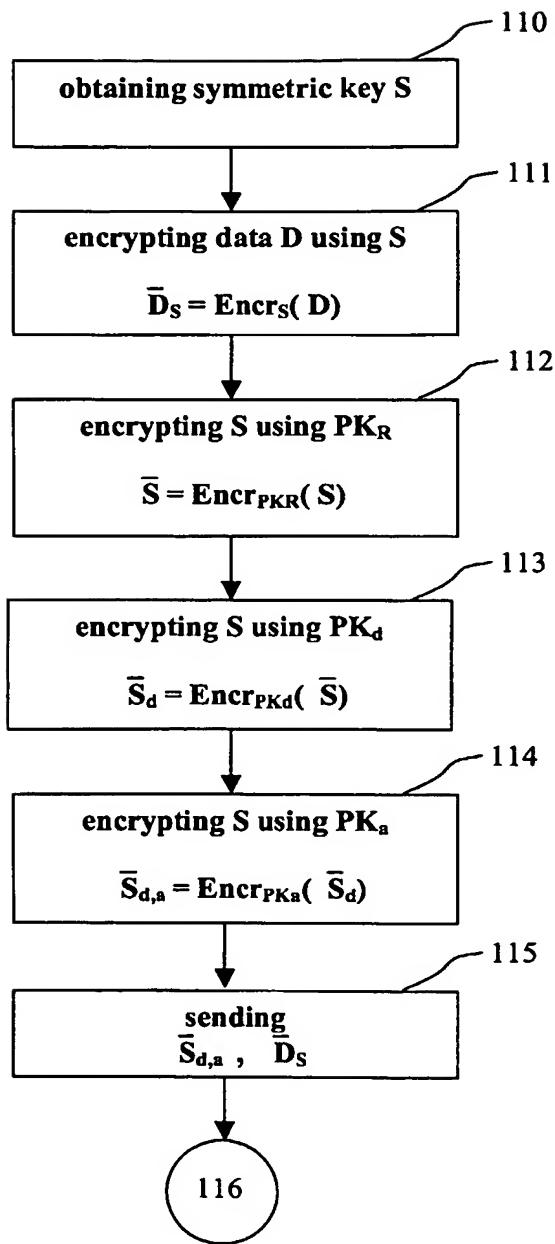


Fig. 10

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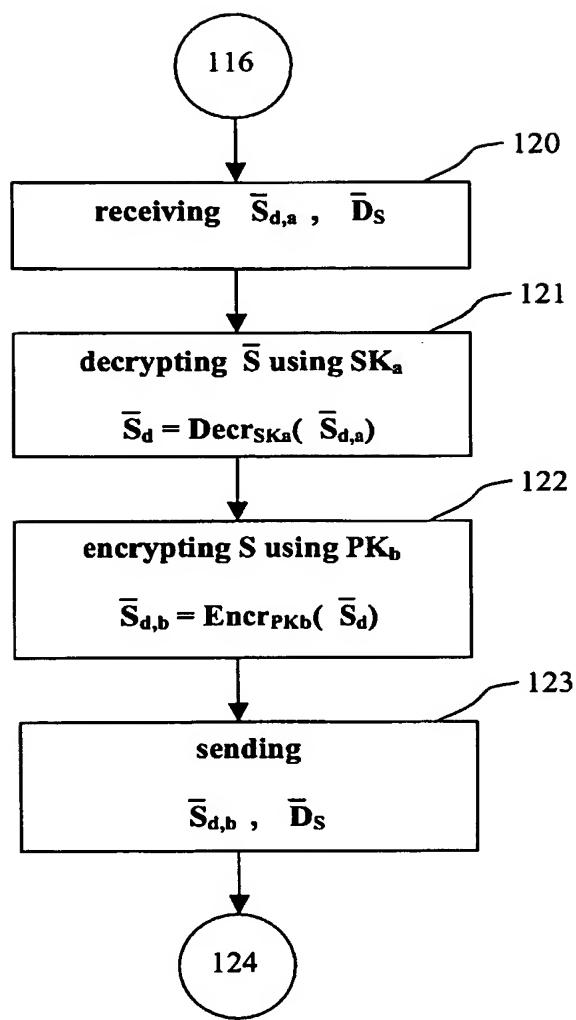


Fig. 11

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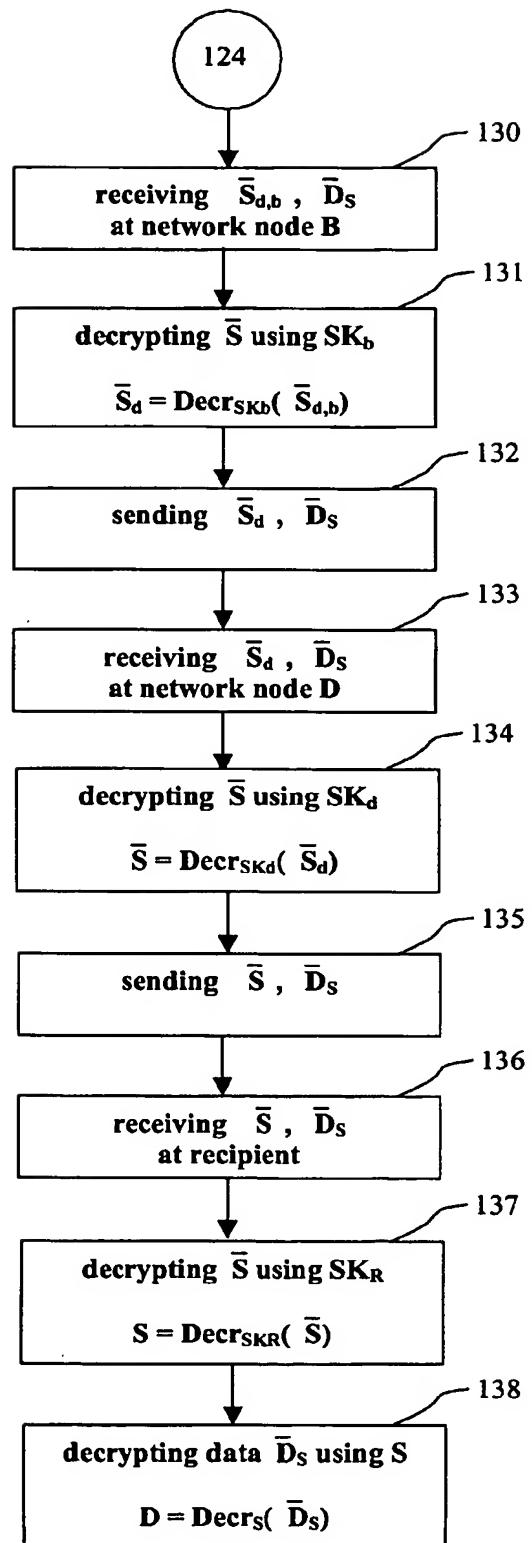


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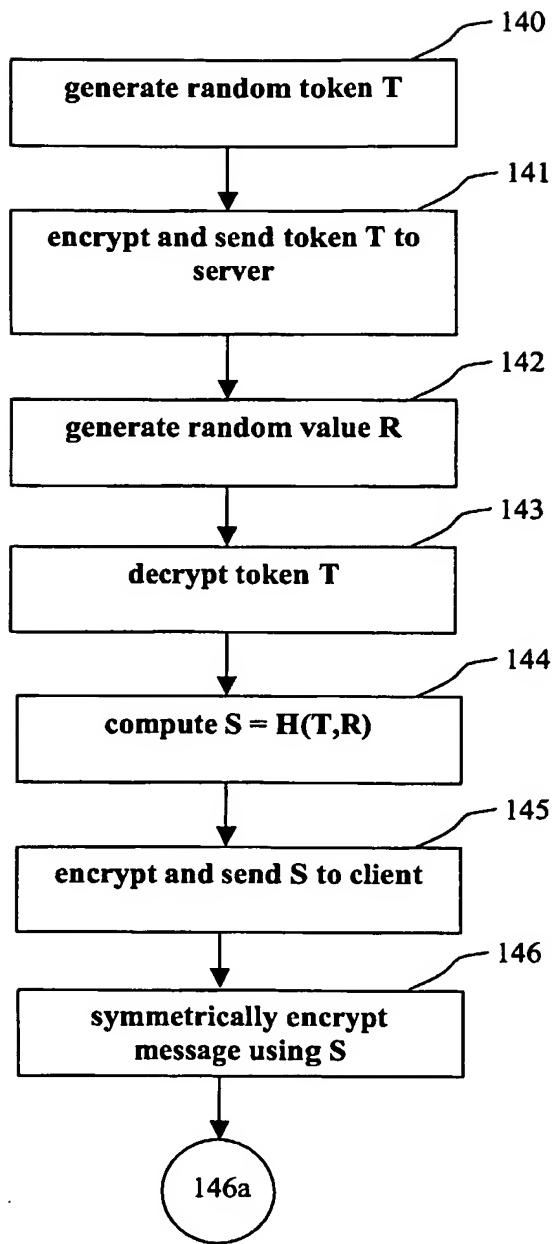


Fig. 13a

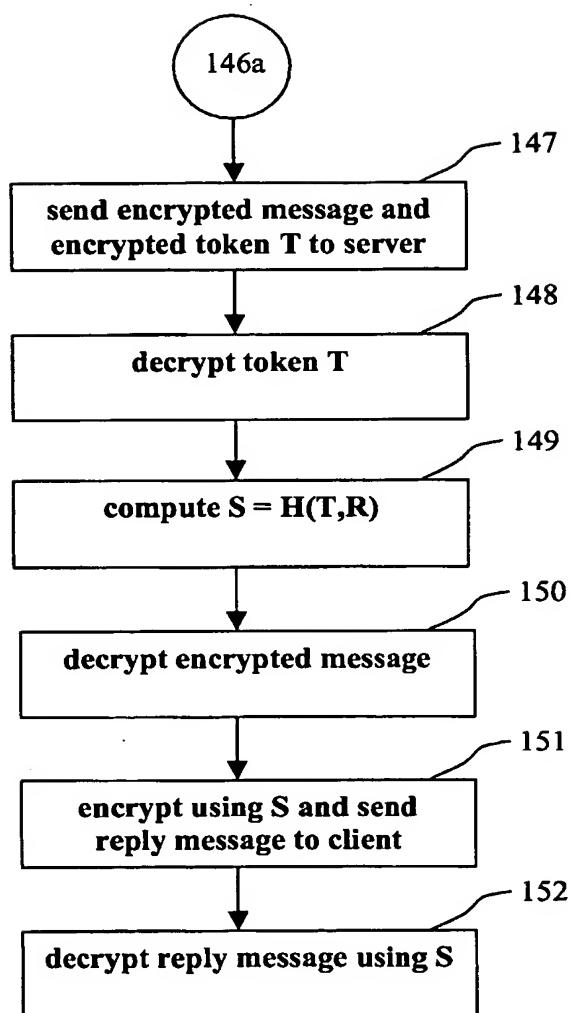


Fig. 13b